

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General laws, Chapter 30A, Section 20, notice is hereby given for the following meeting of the:

**Arlington School Committee
Standing Subcommittee: Budget
Wednesday, December 30, 2020
4:00 PM**

Conducted by Remote Participation

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/order-suspending-certain-provision-of-open-meeting-law/download>

Open Meeting

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: Dec 30, 2020 04:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Topic: Arlington School Committee Budget Subcommittee meeting, Wednesday, December 30, 2020, at 4:00 p.m.

Register in advance for this webinar:

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FY 22 Budget (and potentially FY 23 Budget)

- *Funding status for FY 22*
- *How to address decreased enrollment / Long Range Plan?*
- *Other funding needs for FY22, FY23*

FY 21 Budget update

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Old business

New business

Adjournment

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Stated times and time amounts, listed in parenthesis, are the estimated amount of time for that particular agenda item. Actual times may be shorter or longer depending on the time needed to fully explore the topic.

Submitted by Kirsi Allison-Ampe, MD, Chair

Massachusetts law requires all open session meetings of public bodies to be accessible to members of the public, including those with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodations in order to participate in the meeting, contact the Administrative Assistant to the Arlington School Committee Karen Fitzgerald at kfitzgerald@arlington.k12.ma.us in advance of the meeting.



Town of Arlington, Massachusetts

Meeting Location

Summary:

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ATTACHMENTS:

Type	File Name	Description
□ Reference Material	Remote_Meeting_Script_(00022231xA050C).pdf	Remote Meeting script
□ Reference Material	Remote_Participation_Checklist_for_COVID-19_Emergency_(00022229xA050C).pdf	Remote Participation checklist
□ Reference Material	Supplement_re_Remote_Participation_During_Coronavirus_State_of_Emergency_-_Checklist_and_Script.pdf_(00022235xA050C)(1)(1).pdf	Supplement re Remote Participation during Coronavirus State of Emergency

DRAFT SCRIPT FOR REMOTELY CONDUCTED OPEN MEETINGS

Confirming Member Access:

As a preliminary matter, this is [identify meeting manager – Chair, support staff, etc.]. Permit me to confirm that all members and persons anticipated on the agenda are present and can hear me.

- Members, when I call your name, please respond in the affirmative. *State each members' name.*
- Staff, when I call your name, please respond in the affirmative. *State each staff members' name.*
- Anticipated Speakers on the Agenda, please respond in the affirmative. *State each anticipated speakers' name.*

Introduction to Remote Meeting:

Good morning/afternoon/evening. This Open Meeting of [Insert Public Body Name] is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of the "COVID-19 Virus."

In order to mitigate the transmission of the COVID-19 Virus, we have been advised and directed by the Commonwealth to suspend public gatherings, and as such, the Governor's Order suspends the requirement of the Open Meeting Law to have all meetings in a publicly accessible *physical* location. Further, all members of public bodies are allowed and encouraged to participate remotely.

The Order, which you can find posted with agenda materials for this meeting allows public bodies to meet entirely remotely so long as reasonable public access is afforded so that the public can follow along with the deliberations of the meeting.

Ensuring public access does not ensure public participation unless such participation is required by law. This meeting [will/will not] feature public comment.

For this meeting, [Insert Public Body Name] is convening by [telephone conference/video conference via Zoom App/Facebook Live/etc.] as posted on the Town's Website identifying how the public may join.

For “Zoom” Meetings

Please note that this meetings is being recorded, and that some attendees are participating by video conference.

Accordingly, please be aware that other folks may be able to see you, and that take care not to “screen share” your computer. Anything that you broadcast may be captured by the recording.

Meeting Materials

***For Novus Agenda-Supported Meetings:** All of the materials for this meeting, except any Executive Session materials, are available on the Novus Agenda dashboard, and we recommend the members and the public follow the agenda as posted on Novus unless I/The Chair notes otherwise.

***For Non-Novus Supported Meetings:** All supporting materials that have been provided members of this body are available on the Town’s website unless otherwise noted. The public is encouraged to follow along using the posted agenda unless I/The Chair notes otherwise.

Meeting Business Ground Rules

We are now turning to the first item on the agenda. Before we do so, permit me to cover some ground rules for effective and clear conduct of our business and to ensure accurate meeting minutes.

- I/the Chair, will introduce each speaker on the agenda. After they conclude their remarks, the Chair will go down the line of Members, inviting each by name to provide any comment, questions, or motions. Please hold until your name is called. Further,

- Please remember to mute your phone or computer when you are not speaking;
 - Please remember to speak clearly and in a way that helps generate accurate minutes
- For any response, please wait until the Chair yields the floor to you, and state your name before speaking.
- If members wish to engage in colloquy with other members, please do so through the Chair, taking care to identify yourself.
- For Items with Public Comment:
 - The Chair will first ask members of the public who wish to speak to identify their names and addresses only;
 - Once the Chair has a list of all public commentators, I will call on each by name and afford 3 minutes for any comments.
- Finally, each vote taken in this meeting will be conducted by roll call vote.

[Any additional preliminary comments tailored to meetings]

REMOTE PARTICIPATION MEETING CHECKLIST

In Advance of Meeting

- All non-emergency items properly posted *at least* 48 hours in advance
- “Executive Order on Remote Participation” is posted with agenda
- All members received the same documents for meeting
- Supporting documents posted on Novus or Town website (does not have to be 48 hours in advance unless required by law)
- For meetings with public participation, encourage written public comments

Initiating Meeting

- Confirm that all Members are present and can hear each other
- Read Preamble to Remote Meetings
- Note materials for meeting available online through Novus or Town website for the public
- Introduce all members, staff, and persons on the agenda
- Cover “ground rules”

For “Zoom” Meetings

- Disable Chat Function for Participants
- Click “Record Meeting”
- Advise Participants that Meeting is Being Recorded
- Caution Participants About Screen Sharing

During Meeting

- Each speaker states their name before each presentation, comment, or question
- All votes taken by roll call
- Meeting Minutes reflect remote status

Technical Difficulties

- If technical difficulties arise, Chair suspends meeting while attempts to resolve are made
- Keep accurate minutes noting any disconnections and reconnections of members



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Cc: Town Committees and Commissions; Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager; John Leone, Town Moderator

From: Douglas W. Heim, Town Counsel

Date: March 18, 2020

Re: Supplement – Remote Meeting Checklist and Guidance

Please receive this Supplement to the Memoranda from this Office of March 11, 2020, and March 13, 2020 regarding the Town’s options for conducting meetings during the coronavirus (or “COVID-19”) State of Emergency in the Commonwealth.

As you will recall, meetings by telephone or video conference during the State of Emergency may proceed with all participants engaging remotely, so long as “alternative means of public access” is provided.¹ Public access can be provided by allowing the public to call in or otherwise join meetings remotely so that they can see and/or hear what takes place at remote participation meetings. To assist you in availing yourselves of these options, this Office has developed a checklist and script for Chairs and administrative support staff for remotely

¹ Certain hearings require additional consideration where public comment and/or participation is required.

conducted open meetings which you will find attached. These documents are intended as guides primarily to ensure the following:

- Accurate meeting minutes can be recorded;
- All other requirements of the Open Meeting Law are met;
- The public understands the modifications to the Open Meeting Law during the State of Emergency; and
- Chairs are able to effectively used new technologies such as the “Zoom” app effectively.

Please keep in mind that unlike some other users of teleconference or videoconference technology, it is essentially that a government body’s business can be accurately understood and recorded in meeting minutes, and that the public can follow along.

If specific circumstances of your meeting require further counsel, such as conducting an executive session by remote meeting, please contact this Office at your convenience for further support.



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□ Enrollment/Class Sizes	Enrollment_numbers_from_MM_10_29_2020_October_1__2020.pdf	Enrollment numbers from MM October 1, 2020

10 Year Enrollment History and Projected Enrollment 2021-2025 -by Grade Levels

Weighted Five Year Average

Year	Pre-K	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot	Incr/(Decr) from Prior yr.	% Change
2009-2010	64	457	451	411	423	387	366	365	373	343	320	295	323	272	4850	94	
2010-2011	60	450	442	435	399	427	367	349	350	365	306	325	296	311	4882	32	2.6%
2011-2012	47	434	455	421	426	390	412	355	335	348	308	304	342	299	4876	-6	-0.1%
2012-2013	57	453	472	446	420	429	395	379	337	337	322	313	309	354	5023	147	3.0%
2013-2014	60	477	478	483	464	434	429	357	393	328	299	320	321	314	5157	281	2.7%
2014-2015	65	516	488	466	483	456	433	401	348	376	319	309	324	342	5326	169	6.0%
2015-2016	60	487	520	481	459	478	462	414	389	345	352	331	293	339	5410	84	1.6%
2016-2017	71	552	490	507	481	465	478	428	420	398	343	367	325	327	5652	242	4.5%
2017-2018	86	523	556	487	508	500	475	448	426	416	366	336	353	342	5822	170	3.0%
2018-2019	96	587	520	552	491	509	490	465	451	427	371	355	342	373	6029	207	3.6%
2019-2020	90	524	594	517	534	488	508	487	458	456	382	373	355	362	6128	99	1.6%
2020-2021	89	454	487	534	465	511	467	487	455	444	374	363	370	361	5861	-267	-4.4%

5 Year Weighted Av
Continuity Rate 1 (PK) 0.879 (K) 0.980 (K-1) 0.961 (1-2) 0.960 (2-3) 0.991 (3-4) 0.984 (4-5) 0.967 (5-6) 0.976 (6-7) 0.994 (7-8) 0.879 (8-9) 0.979 (9-10) 0.995 (10-11) 1.047 (11-12)

Projected																	
2021-2022	100	514	445	468	512	461	503	452	475	452	390	366	361	387	5886	25	0.4%
2022-2023	100	512	504	428	449	507	454	486	441	472	397	382	364	378	5874	-12	-0.2%
2023-2024**	100	491	502	484	411	445	499	439	474	438	415	389	380	381	5848	-26	-0.4%
2024-2025**	100	511	481	482	464	407	438	483	428	471	385	406	387	398	5841	-7	-0.1%
2025-2026**	100	507	501	462	463	460	400	424	471	425	414	377	404	405	5813	-28	-0.5%

In District Data for Oct 1 from Power Schools on 10.22.2020



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FY 21 Budget update



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Submitted by Kirsi Allison-Ampe, MD, Chair